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REMARKS

Claims 1-42, 45-101 and 103-113 are pending in the present application. Applicants note with appreciation the allowance of Claims 37-40 and the indication of allowable subject matter with respect to Claims 1-36, 41, 42, 45-101 and 103-113 if the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112 (second paragraph) is overcome. With entry of this Amendment, Applicants amend Claims 1, 7, 13, 19, 25, 31, 37, 41, 45, 50, 55, 61, 67, 69, 71, 77, 83, 85, 87, 93-101 and 103-113. Reexamination and reconsideration are respectfully requested.

Personal Interview

Applicants note with appreciation the courtesy of the Examiner in conducting a personal interview with the undersigned on May 30, 2007 to further discuss the Office Action.

The Rejections

The Examiner rejected Claims 1-36, 41, 42, and 45-113 under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particular point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

Applicants have amended the pending claims in accordance with the discussions that took place during the personal interview with the Examiner, and respectfully submit that the amended claims are in full compliance with 35 U.S.C. 112.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that all of the pending claims of the present application are in condition for allowance. If, for any reason, the Examiner finds the application other than in condition for allowance, Applicants request that the Examiner contact the undersigned attorney to discuss any steps necessary to place the application in condition for allowance.

In the unlikely event that the transmittal letter is separated from this document and the Patent Office determines that an extension and/or other relief is required, Applicants petition for any

required relief including extensions of time and authorize the Assistant Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to **Deposit**Account No. 03-1952 referencing docket no. 393032020500.

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